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PARK AGAINST ROAD BOND BILL

But It Passes House By Majority of 63 to 34 and Now Goes To Senate

Frankfort, Feb. 16.—After another hard all-day fight, the House of Representatives late Wednesday afternoon passed the Moss-Meyers \$500,000 road bond submission bill, the final vote being 63 to 34. About an equal number from both parties joined in passing the measure, which received 32 Democratic and 31 Republican votes, while against it were cast the ballots of 33 Democrats and one Republican.

There were only two amendments voted into the roads bill in the house which made any material change in it as proposed by Mr. Meyers. One was Ira D. Smith's amendment, which provides that while the vote is to be taken next fall, the first of the bonds shall not be issued until January 1, 1924, which merely delays the date of issuing the first bonds six months, the date in the original being July 1, 1923. The other amendment introduced by Arch L. Hamilton, of Fayette county, adds a clause which provides that the attorney general shall file a test case to decide whether or not any part of the bill is unconstitutional, following its passage and prior to the election and issuance of bonds, and if the law be found unconstitutional, the bonds shall not be issued.

Following is the detailed vote by which the bond issue was passed:

For the bill: Adams, Amos, Bosworth, Bowman, Button, Carey, Chandler, Clark, Cross, Cuniff, Day, Denton, Duncan, Ellis, Mrs. Flanery, Fultz, Green, Giffon, Hamilton, Harvey, Holder, Hopkins, Lambert, Huntman, Jennings, Jones, Kelly, Lane, Lawrence, Leamon, Lewis, May, Meyers, Miller, R. C. Moore, Murray, Munster, McCaw, McGuire, McMurtry, E. E. Nelson, C. A. Nelson, Newman, O'Donnell, Oney, Pierce, Powell, Rice, Richardson, Scott, Simons, G. W. Smith, L. D. Smith, Skaggs, G. F. Thompson, H. O. Thompson, Tinsley, Truesdell, Trumbo, Vanhoose, Waggoner, Wallen, Wickert—63.

Against the bill: Beckmann, Bennett, Bickett, Boling, Boyd, Brown, Dixon, Dorsey, Drury, Duffy, Frazier, Gossett, Hadden, Howard, Jeter, Light, Lisle, Minor, S. H. Moore, Park, Payne, Quarles, Saunders, Stewart, Strange, H. V. Thompson, D. D. Thornberry, John, Toombs, Vest, Walker, Watkins, Wheeler, Willis—34.

Shortly before the final vote was taken Representative Vest had moved to recommit the bill and its amendments, which lost 34 to 39, and which was taken as a sure index of the ultimate victory of the measure.

It is expected that the senate will make some amendments to the present draft and particularly in order to restore the equal balance to the proposed commission so that it shall be six Democrats and six Republicans, instead of seven Democrats and five Republicans as in the House draft.

The senate will be a difficult gamut for the bill to run, but in that branch it will have the expert guidance of Senator White L. Moss, of Bell county, one of the best known good roads workers of the state. He claims a narrow, but safe majority, for the bill.

Shortly after the senate met, the fight over the substitute for the evolution bill was precipitated. Senator Rash pressed for action on the measure, but the opponents of the act were able by parliamentary tactics to obstruct it so that it did not get to a vote. Both sides claimed the support of Senator Demmon, who was absent, and it was apparent that the result is going to be close.

Persons seeking to place a board of censorship over moving pictures shown in Kentucky made a hard, concerted drive to that end Wednesday afternoon before the committee on Kentucky Statutes No. 2 of the senate, in support of the Brock bill (Senate bill 176) which if enacted will create a commission of

DR. FROST WANTED WORMS CAUGHT, TOO

Ex-President of Berea College, Not Satisfied With Raid On Moonshiners

Outside of the moonshiners and bootleggers, whose business was somewhat disarranged by the raid of Sheriff Elmer Deatherage and his men about a week ago, the only criticism that the Daily Register has heard of the raid on lawbreakers comes from Dr. Wm. Goodell Frost, former president of Berea College. What Dr. Frost says will be read with interest:

Berea, Ky., Feb. 13. Editor Daily Register.

My dear sir:—All the papers give account of the great raid of our new sheriff and his helpers upon the moonshiners—"Thirteen still broken up, no worms taken, one colored boy arrested on suspicion."

The papers make no comment, but other people make comments, and I write to ask you to give space to mine. It looks as though some member of the attacking party had sent notice in advance so that those precious worms could all be gotten out of the way.

Now that the moonshiners are being jailed in other counties, it will improve the business in Madison, and our moonshiners can afford to have their stills broken up every little while if they can save the worms and be free from arrest themselves so as to make plenty of whisky and money between times!

We do not despair of our new sheriff, but we expect him to do better next time. And meanwhile should not our churches get busy converting the people who buy moonshine whisky? It is a good time for an old-fashioned pledge-signing campaign.

WM. GOODELL FROST.

SILAS BAXTER DIES NEAR BROOKSTOWN

Mr. Silas Baxter, aged 80, one of Madison's best known citizens, died at his home near Brookstown, Wednesday morning from the effects of an attack of heart trouble and the infirmities of age. He spent practically his entire life in the vicinity of Brookstown. He is survived by his aged companion, one sister, Mrs. Sam Rice of this city. Funeral services will be held at his late residence Thursday afternoon at 1:30, interment in family burying ground.

Aged Author Dead

Los Angeles, Calif., Feb. 16.—Arrangements are being made here today for the funeral of Dr. James Martin Peebles, physician and author, who died at his home here yesterday. He lacked 40 days of being 100 years old.

34 Deaths In Belfast

Belfast, Ireland, Feb. 16.—Up to ten o'clock today casualties in the disorders here had reached 114, with deaths numbering 34 since Saturday.

Stanford Court Day

Monday was court day at Stanford. The Interior Journal says there were 750 cattle at Nunnely's pens Monday and most of them sold. The best, a bunch of yearling and two-year-old steers, brought 6 1-2c. Others sold at 6 to 6 1/2c. The best heifers brought 5 1-2c but the majority changed hands around the 5 cent mark. The demand for cattle was hardly as good as it was a month ago. A few hogs sold at 10c, but no sheep were offered. There was very little doing in the sale of horses and mules, there being little demand for either.

Mash Was In Cave; Still Was Removed

Grayson, Feb. 16.—A fifty gallon barrel of mash with only traces of a still were discovered in an abandoned coal mine near Willard by sheriff Burchett and deputies. No arrests were made. Three to supervise all films displayed in the commonwealth. Representatives of the distributors and exhibitors appeared in opposition to the bill.

"Humanizing" the American Parcel Post Service



A new postal regulation makes it possible for mothers to bring their babies down when the parcel post man calls and have them weighed on the scale which is part of the equipment of the wagon. In Oakland, Cal., the scene has already been placed in practice, and the mothers eagerly bring their babies and place them on the scales.

IRVINE ESTATE WINS TWO SUITS IN COURT

Circuit court has been engaged for almost three days in trials of suits by E. S. Wiggins and June Wiggins against the estate of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Irvine. The former asked about \$5,000 and the latter \$6,000 for services rendered Mrs. Irvine during her life, when they made their home with her and assisted her in many ways.

Both juries which tried the cases found for the defendant estate, however. J. W. Crooke, as executor, defended the suits, represented by Attorneys Burdum & Greenleaf. The jury in the first case was out several hours, but the last jury reached a verdict in a few minutes.

Court then took up trial of the suits of the Richmond Lumber Company and Mrs. Mary Powell and E. S. Powell against the city of Richmond. The former asks \$2,500 and the latter \$1,500 for damages alleged to have been caused their property on East Main street by the construction of the new paved streets and establishment of the grade of the street some inches above their sidewalks. Charles Soper, of Richmond Lumber Company, said he estimated the damage to his property as fully 50 per cent of its value; he estimated his damage at \$2,500 to \$3,000; he said that since the new streets and new curbing were built, when it rains, water runs down the sidewalks. He denied that it did so before.

The plaintiffs are represented by Attorneys Greenleaf & Burdum, while the interests of the city are represented by City Attorney H. C. Rice, and former City Attorney J. P. Chenuault.

SPLENDID MUSIC WITH "THE SHEIK"

Another large crowd witnessed the second showing of "The Sheik," which was screened at the opera house last night. No picture ever brought to Richmond has been made the subject of so much talk and those who saw the picture yesterday have pronounced it one of the best acted pictures ever shown here. The two principal stars, Agnes Ayres and Rudolph Valentino, are perfect in their roles and hold the attention of the audience from the first reel to the last scene. The magnificent and spectacular settings in which the various scenes are enacted prove without a doubt the heavy expense the producers went to in making this wonderful picture.

The music for the picture was above the ordinary and Miss Vera Eckert deserves special praise for the way in which she directed the musicians, all of whom were local boys. Miss Eckert has been engaged at the Strand in Lexington for many years and is an artist at the piano. The music required by the picture is of the very highest class and brings out the weird music of the desert scenes, as well as the lively scores for the dancing girls of the harem. The orchestra adds greatly to the presentation of the picture.

The Weather

Fair tonight and Friday; rising temperature Friday and in west portion tonight.

Today's Livestock Markets

Cincinnati, Feb. 16.—Hogs 25c higher; Chicago 10c to 20c higher; Louisville, Feb. 16.—Cattle 20c, strong and unchanged; hogs 2-600, 25c higher, tops \$10.25; sheep 30, steady, \$9; lambs \$13.

BURLEY POOL'S DOOR REOPENED

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 15.—Every tobacco grower in the burley district is to have one more chance to sign up his crop for the next five years to the marketing plan of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association, Joseph Passonneau, chief of the field service division, said today. Mr. Passonneau said that new contracts have been printed covering the crops of 1922 to 1926, inclusive and that these are going out to the county organizations this week.

Within the last week Mr. Passonneau's department has received ninety-seven contracts, representing more than 250,000 pounds of tobacco.

The new contract contains the same provisions as the old. The members pay the same membership fee and the grower has the right to stop growing tobacco at any time he may desire to do, as under the old contract, but if a grower raises any tobacco he must deliver it to the association to be marketed.

The new contract has spaces for the amount of tobacco grown in 1921, the amount pledged for 1922, and if the grower has any old tobacco on hand at the time he signs it must be delivered to the association to be marketed.

The Executive Committee of the association, which was in session practically all day today, transacted considerable business of a routine nature. Those in attendance were President J. C. Stone, James Kehoe, of Maysville, Bush W. Allen, of Harrodsburg, and John D. Winn, of Versailles.

MOVIE CENSORSHIP FAVORED IN SENATE

Frankfort, Feb. 16.—In the senate today a bill creating a State Board of Censorship for moving pictures was favorably reported. The senate also unanimously passed a joint resolution for the appointment by the Governor of a committee of one hundred citizens for a Henry Watterson memorial. The resolution named Watterson one of Kentucky's most illustrious citizens who was born 82 years ago today. The commission will serve without pay.

Wheeler Not A Candidate

Frankfort, Feb. 16.—Representative W. G. Wheeler, of Bowling Green, today denied reports that he will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for State Auditor in the next primary.

NEWPORT OFFICIALS PLACED IN ARREST

Newport, Feb. 16.—Two hundred state soldiers on duty in the Newport Rolling Mill strike, surrounded the courthouse here today while federal warrants, charging conspiracy to defraud the national prohibition law were served on a number of Campbell county officials. Warrants were also issued for city officials. All are the outgrowth of recent raids by soldiers on places where liquor was found. Meanwhile, today, the soldiers continued the raids.

Those accused in the warrants included Mayor Joseph Hetman, Chief of Police Frank Bergel, Campbell County Attorney Conrad Metz, County Detective Edward Hamilton and County Postman John Sherman and Charles Bellett. Bergel, Metz and Hamilton were found and arrested. Each was liberated on \$500 bond.

EVOLUTION BILL GOES BY BOARDS

Frankfort, Feb. 16.—The senate today postponed action on the so-called evolution bill until the rules committee takes charge and its opponents say it virtually kills the measure. The vote on the motion to postpone was 17 to 17.

HARDING FOR SALES TAX FOR BONUS

Washington, Feb. 16.—President Harding in a letter to Congress today asserted he considered a general sales tax the only feasible method of raising funds for the soldier bonus. He suggested that, unless Congress saw fit to enact it, that bonus legislation be temporarily postponed. His letter is regarded at the capital as leaving the bonus situation more complicated than ever. Enactment of a sales tax as the only practicable means of raising money for the soldier bonus, is stated to be the view of President Harding, by Representative Longworth, republican, of Ohio, a member of the Ways and Means committee, after a call today at the White House.

Now Watch Fur Fly

Indianapolis, Feb. 16.—Albert J. Beveridge, today formally announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for United States Senator.

Big Damage Suit In Jessamine

Nicholasville, Ky., Feb. 16.—A suit has been filed in the Jessamine circuit court by Ebenezer Malcolm against William Burton for \$10,175 damages, which the plaintiff alleges he sustained on the evening of January 30, when the wagon he was driving on the Lexington pike was struck by an automobile driven by Mr. Burton. According to Mr. Malcolm, the accident was a result of the accident.

WOODS TALKS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

Richmond's Famous Ex-Mayor Talks On Vital Topic At Union Prayer Meeting

Clarence E. Woods gave the people of Richmond and Madison county some sound advice on law enforcement at a union prayer meeting of the uptown churches of Richmond Wednesday night. Mr. Woods was heard by a very appreciative audience, and received a most cordial reception from his many friends here.

As ex-mayor of Richmond and prominent all his life in movements for law enforcement and the uplift of his fellowman, Mr. Woods is an authority on any phase of this most vital question of present day times, that he cares to discuss.

Mr. Woods frankly said he came without invitation, or suggestion from a soul, to raise anew the fine spirit of devotion to law and order which marked the era of 1900-1910, when the eyes not only of the state but of the nation and Canada, were watching the experiment of Richmond with out licensed saloons. The hopes of friends and the evil prophecies of enemies of no-license were in the crucible of trial and experimentation, and the city was undergoing a revolution morally, financially and physically. For a generation the business of selling whisky openly was in partnership with every other business in paying the taxes of schools and government, the saloons paying one-third of the total cost. To close the saloons and shut off this supply of taxes was a serious matter, but the question of money was settled at the polls by putting manhood above money, children above coin, and women above the wash tub. Therefore for sixteen years past, children have been able to say they never saw an open saloon in Richmond! Crime has diminished and needless suffering avoided, more children are in school and prosperity and expansion everywhere, despite present war results, mark the present epoch. Who would vote to return to the Richmond of those old days? Let him stand up and be counted.

Mr. Woods urged the following as an insurance policy against defeat of the great reforms under taken here and elsewhere: "Absolute personal abstinence—a 100% per cent prohibition everywhere, at home, at banquets, fishing expeditions, everywhere, like a 100% per cent American in war."

"Co-operation with officers in uncovering and prosecuting whites first, and negroes next, in violation of prohibition laws with out partiality or fear of social, business or political loss. Keep the majority on the side of temperance, thin out the violators, stamp out their business, and force them into honest occupations or into the penitentiary, on the rock piles or into hotter climates!"

"Vote strictly first and only for men tried and true and courageous in law enforcement. One scoundrelly hypocrite for enforcement of malicious shooting and carrying concealed weapons. He entered a plea of not guilty to both charges and was released on bond of \$300 and \$200 for his appearance at his examining trial Friday morning. Reports received late Tuesday night from the bedside of Mr. Meng were that he is doing well as far as can be ascertained at the present time."

Shooting Tenant Held Over

Paris, Ky., Feb. 16.—David Christopher, who shot Calvert Meng in the arm Monday morning at the Bourbon tobacco warehouse, was arraigned before Judge Geo. Ratterton on charges of malicious shooting and carrying concealed weapons. He entered a plea of not guilty to both charges and was released on bond of \$300 and \$200 for his appearance at his examining trial Friday morning. Reports received late Tuesday night from the bedside of Mr. Meng were that he is doing well as far as can be ascertained at the present time.

Ernst Hands Off Postmaster

Washington, Feb. 16.—Senator Ernst made known today that he will take absolutely no part in the selection of a postmaster at Louisville, but will leave the matter entirely to Congressman Ogden. This is the same rule he has followed in the selection of postmasters in the districts of Congressmen Langley and Robinson. The Civil Service Commission has not yet certified the Louisville eligibles to the postoffice department. Washington is hearing many echoes of the contest between Herman Monroe and Ludlow Petty.

German Chancellor Wins

Berlin, Germany, Feb. 15.—The Reichstag today voted confidence in Chancellor Wirth 230 to 185.

ALMOST \$2,000,000 RAISE IS DEMANDED

By State Tax Commission On Assessment As Made For Madison Taxpayers

Just when Madison county taxpayers were congratulating themselves that they would get a little off their tax bills on account of the general depreciation of values along comes the State Tax Commission and takes the joy out of life.

County Judge John D. Goodloe received formal and official notice from the State Tax Commission Wednesday that it is "compelled to suggest" an increase in the tax assessment of Madison county of \$1,950,000. In other words, the assessment books as turned in by Tax Commissioner Ben R. Powell for the past assessment, will have to be increased by that amount, if the "suggestions" of the State Tax Commission are carried out.

A loophole is left for taxpayers and officials to convince the members of that august body that such an increase is unjustifiable at this time. The date of March 3, is set on which the Tax Commission will hear any representatives of the taxpayers of Madison county who may wish to object to the increases and to offer valid reasons why they should not be made. The increases as suggested by the State Tax Commission are as follows:

On land \$1,650,000
On town lots 200,000
On tangibles 100,000

It will be recalled that when Commissioner Powell finished up his assessment books for the past year, they showed a reduction of almost three million dollars in valuations under the total assessment of Madison for the preceding year. Many prominent farmers and business men thought that a very conservative shrinkage for valuations in view of the fearful depreciation that the farmers and business men generally have had to contend with during the past year.

Now that the State Tax Commission has come right back and practically rejected all the decrease that was allowed by Commissioner Powell, the farmers are going to catch a rather heavy dose if someone isn't able to convince the tax moguls at Frankfort that it's time they were considering the fact that the great common people are being "taxed out of their boots" in these piping times of "normalcy."

A Jessamine Sale

At the public sale of Leonard Wood in Jessamine county, dry rows sold for \$42.50 to 67; horses and mules from \$87.50 to \$150; a team of mules at \$300; 50-pounds shoats \$6.50 a head; 90-pound shoats at \$8 a head, and chickens at 21c a pound.